

**...2006 National Flood Safety Awareness Week...**  
**...Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service – AHPS...**

Today is the start of National Flood Safety Awareness Week 2006. The National Weather Service is starting off this week with a theme of the Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service...AHPS.

AHPS is an ongoing effort to modernize hydrologic services. The goal of the AHPS program is to provide water predictions for life decisions. AHPS provides information such as

How high will the river rise?  
When will the river reach its peak?  
Where will the flooding occur?  
How long will the flood last?  
How long with the drought continue?  
How certain is the forecast?

AHPS covers the range of forecasts from short-term... six hours or less... to long-term... out several weeks and months. AHPS provides emergency and water resource managers the information they need to make more informed risk-based decisions to optimize the use of their resources. AHPS allows emergency managers and the river community to plan for and respond aggressively to the threat of floods... droughts and everything in between.

AHPS products are available on the web at...

[www.weather.gov/ahps](http://www.weather.gov/ahps)

or may be viewed locally at...

<http://ahps2.wrh.noaa.gov/ahps2/index.php?wfo=tfx>

<http://ahps2.wrh.noaa.gov/ahps2/index.php?wfo=byz>

<http://ahps2.wrh.noaa.gov/ahps2/index.php?wfo=ggw>

<http://ahps2.wrh.noaa.gov/ahps2/index.php?wfo=mso>